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- 1. Prior to August 1954, a Polish unit, soldiers of which wore khaki uniforms with red service color was located in the former mental hospital on the west side of the Peiskretscham (Q 51/Y 38) road inside the city limits. Soldiers of this unit went daily aboard a special passengers' train from Tost to Laband (Q 51/Y 38) where they worked in the rolling mill in several shifts. The soldiers also received military training in Tost. They allegedly included numerous Germans, some of whom came from Upper Silesia. In August 1954, residents of Tost said that the troops were scheduled to move. At that time, the soldiers were not taken to the rolling mill. Prior to August 1954, no other military units or installations were located in Tost.
- 2. In 1954, a retricted was chick was enclosed by a barbed-wire fence was observed in the wooded and north of the sewly constructed road led from the Laband tank factory to the restricted with white eagle emblems and occupied by soldiers were observed enter the darea on this road. At one time, three tanks were observed, while at another time two tanks were seen travelling on this road. These tanks were allegedly manufactured and also turned over to the armed forces in Laband. No specifications on the tanks were available.
- 3. On 26 April 1954, the former mental hospital in Tost housed a mechanics school where machinists, lathe operators, etc., were trained in two years courses. The installation was a public school which was called the mechanical engineering school.
- 1. Comment. It is believed that the unit observed is a labor battalion. It is 25X1 reported for the first time that these units are also used in **distinct** armament plants such as the Laband factory.
- 2. Comment. It is believed that the area mentioned in the present report is a 25X1 proving grounds of the Laband tank factory.

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